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FYI. This is a different format from the previous agency-wide weekahead, which included Key Messages as well as events and press releases.

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**FOR INTERNAL EPA USE ONLY; ACTIVITIES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**HQ PRESS RELEASES**

TBD: Additional Members of the Biden-Harris Team (OPA)  
TBD: Brownfields Equitable Development Grant (OLEM)  
TBD: Scientific Integrity (ORD)

**HQ Web updates**

List N (OCSPP, tentatively 2/4)  
Climate change website (OAR, TBD)

**REGIONAL PRESS RELEASES**

R1: TBD – PR Mohawk Tannery Superfund Site Settlement (Nashua, NH; *timing contingent on FR publication, pending*)  
R1: TBD – PR CAA Settlement, Metropolitan District (Hartford CT; *timing contingent on DOJ coordination, pending*)  
R1: TBD – PRs announcing Annual Operations & Maintenance Awards for Wastewater Treatment Operators in New England (9 awards, CT, MA, ME, NH, RI)  
R2: TBD – Diamond Alkali Superfund site/ Lower Passaic River Study Area preparing to issue a proposed a plan for an interim action.  
R2: TBD – Gowanus Canal Superfund Site Cleanup preparing an Order Requiring New York City to Construct Sewage Retention Tanks.  
R3: 2/1 (week of) – EPA, NFWF Fund Actions to Improve Water Quality in Bay-Linked Rivers and Streams in Pennsylvania (This is under review with the transition team).  
R3: 2/1 (week of) – U.S., Pennsylvania settle with American Zinc Recycling over alleged environmental violations at Palmerton facility  
R3: TBD – Enforcement: Stop-Sale on ViaClean Technologies disinfectant, Bio-Protect  
R4: 2/4 – Entering of Consent Decree for the ABC Coke facility in Tarrant, Ala.  
R5: 2/1– Public comment period on “Statement of Basis” (aka proposed cleanup plan) for a Racer Trust site in Kokomo, Indiana  
R5: TBD – Public comment period on required Five-Year Review of cleanup work at the USS Lead Superfund Site in East Chicago, Indiana  
R6: 2/1 – EPA public hearing on Coal Combustion Residual Permit (*media advisory*)

R6: 2/4 – EPA, Southwest Center for Pediatric Environmental Health and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso hold virtual disaster recovery workshop (*media advisory*)  
R6: TBD – EPA takes action on Louisiana Triennial Water Quality Standards  
R6: TBD – Tar Creek site update  
R6: TBD – Texas Diesel Emissions Reduction Incentive Program  
R7: 2/4 – Findett Corp. Superfund Site virtual public meeting on 2/9  
R8: N/A  
R9: 2/3 – Bundled Hawaii ENF cases against Par, HI  
R9: 2/4 – Contract awarded for uranium mine cleanup, Navajo Nation  
R10: TBD – Portland Harbor Superfund Site remedial design agreement  
R10: TBD – Duwamish Superfund Site, WA, Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) for cPAHs – Public Comment Period, Public Meeting  
R10: TBD – Clean Water Act enforcement case in WA, \$133k penalty  
R10: TBD – Asbestos enforcement case in ID, \$30k penalty  
R10: TBD – RCRA enforcement case in WA, \$121k penalty  
R10: TBD – Clean Air Act 112R enforcement case in WA, \$190K penalty  
R10: TBD – Region 10 Healthy, Resilient, and Sustainable Communities Grant RFA  
R10: TBD – FIFRA (pesticides) Stop-Sale Order enforcement case

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

OAR: 2/3 & 2/11 – Information Sessions for the 2021 Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Program Request for Applications  
OAR: 2/2 – Public Hearing on CAA section 183(c) recommendation from OTC  
OCIR: 2/3 – Confirmation Hearing for Michael Regan  
OITA: 2/2-4 – Regional Tribal Operations Committee Meeting (RTOC) (R6/R9)  
ORD: 2/2 – Wildland Fire Listening Sessions (second of two State & Local Listening Sessions on EPA Wildland Fire Research)  
ORD: 2/5 – Virtual Symposium on Environmental Justice (Kacey Deener will participate in a University of Cincinnati virtual symposium on environmental justice)  
R1: 2/3 – W.R. Grace Superfund Site Virtual Public Meeting (*Concord, MA*)  
R9: 2/2 – Speaking engagement, Acting RA Jordan, California CUPA Conference, low press/public profile  
R9: 2/3 – Speaking engagement, Acting RA Jordan, Plenary speech at R9 Tribal RTOC (R9)

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